

1. A device for conveying paper webs comprising:
 - a roller
 - a traction means for transporting paper webs, said roller including a passage for engagement by said traction means;
 - a rail-like guide for said traction means, said guide being located selectively upstream and downstream, in a direction of web transport, of said roller and providing a running path for said traction means; and
 - means in said rail-like guide located selectively directly upstream and downstream of said roller for releasing a partial element of said rail-like guide from said rail-like guide.
2. The device of claim 1 wherein said partial element of said rail-like guide is pivotable out of said running path of said traction means.
3. The device of claim 1 wherein said partial element of said rail-like guide is selectively movable in one of a left, right, up and down direction with respect to said running path of said traction means.
4. The device of claim 1 wherein said partial element of said rail-like guide is selectively movable into and diverging from said running path of said traction means.
5. The device of claim 1 wherein said partial element is telescope-like.
6. The device of claim 1 wherein said passage is ring-shaped.
7. The device of claim 1 wherein said traction means is of finite length.